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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF, UNHCR, MO, SS, AG

SUBJECT: MOROCCAN REQUEST FOR USG SUPPORT IN UPCOMING UNHCR SESSION

1. MFA ACTING CHIEF OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AFFAIRS ALI KANDIL CALLED IN POLITICAL COUNSELOR ON SEPTEMBER 28 TO REQUEST USG SUPPORT AT MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF UNHCR SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 4-14 IN GENEVA. KANDIL SAID GOM EXPECTED ALGERIA TO TRY TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ITS MEMBERSHIP ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO INJECT POLITICAL CONTENT INTO DISCUSSION AND INTRODUCE RESOLUTION OF POLITICAL NATURE CONCERNING SAHARA REFUGEES IN TINDOUF AREA. MOROCCO, HE ADDED, MIGHT BE AN OBSERVER AT THE SESSION, HE ASKED THAT USG ISSUE INSTRUCTIONS TO ITS DELEGATION TO OPPOSE ANY SUCH POLITICIZING OF MEETING, WHICH WOULD, TEARGUED, DETRACT FROM HUMANITARIAN NATURE OF UNHCR ACTIVITIES. POLITICAL COUNSELOR PROMISED TO PASS MOROCCAN REQUEST TO DEPARTMENT.

2. WE UNDERSTAND FROM DIPLOMATIC COLLEAGUES THAT GOM HAS MADE SIMILAR REQUEST OF NUMEROUS OTHER GOVERNMENTS,
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INCLUDING MOST WESTERN EUROPEAN AND SOME OTHER ARAB STATES,

WITH FOCUS PRESUMABLY ON MEMBERS OF UNHCR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED OF DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS
ON THIS ISSUE, INCLUDING ANYTHING WE CAN TELL GOM ABOUT US
POSITION.

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